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**DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.131**

Sir:

I, Xiaoming Gu, hereby declare that:

I am the inventor of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/940,519,

I had conceived the invention disclosed and claimed in the above-identified  
U.S. patent application prior to August 7, 2000;

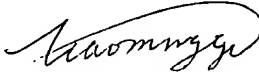
The invention is evidenced by the enclosed Invention Disclosure (dates  
redacted) and its English translation. The Invention Disclosure was submitted  
prior to August 7, 2000, to the inventor's employer, NSK-Warner K.K., for  
evaluation and for the preparation of Japanese Patent Application 2000-265111,  
the priority of which was claimed by the present application; and

We were diligent from August 7, 2000 to September 1, 2000, the filing date  
of Japanese Patent Application 2000-265111.

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Declaration of Xiaoming Gu

All statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine and/or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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